

CONSOLIDATED PLAN ADVISORY BOARD SPECIAL MEETING NOTES

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2012

SAN DIEGO CONCOURSE NORTH TERRACE ROOMS 207-209 202 C STREET, SAN DIEGO, CA 92101

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT	BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT
William Moore, Council District 1	
Jennifer Litwak, Council District 2	
Vicki Granowitz, Council District 3, Vice Chair	
Audie de Castro, Council District 4, Chair	
Robert McNamara, Council District 6	
Mathew Kostrinsky, Council District 7	
Aaron Friberg, Council District 8	

STAFF

Beth Murray, Deputy Director, Economic Development

Angela Nazareno, CDBG Program Administrator

Liza Fune, CDBG Coordinator

Joan Talbert, CDBG Fiscal Manager

Shirley Reid, CDBG Fiscal Analyst

Thomas Kenaya, CDBG Accountant

Rosalia Hernandez, CDBG Administrative Aide II

Call to Order

• The Consolidated Plan Advisory Board (CPAB) special meeting was called to order at 8:12 a.m. A quorum was established.

Non-Agenda Public Comment

• David Flores, Casa Familiar commented on what can make the process better.

Information/Discussion Items

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- Item 4: CDBG Program Administrator Angela Nazareno presented the Public Services Scoring Results.
 - o Total budget for Public Services projects is \$2,181,783 and will fund Applications 3B.5, 3A.15, 3A.9, 3B.3, 3B.4, 3B.7, 3A.10, 3A.23, 3A.19, 3A.16, and 3A.18; with a remaining balance of \$78,406 that can go towards funding the next in line or the Board can choose where they'd like to distribute the remaining balance. Note: there is a \$50,000 minimum allocation. Ms. Nazareno also reminded the Board that as the Grantee the City is required to ensure that the emergency solution has a one-to-one match and two applications have that match − 3B.4 (San Diego Housing Commission Cortez Hill Family Center) and 3B.5 (San Diego Housing Commission Homeless Shelter Program).
 - o There was one Public Speaker on this item, see Attachment A.

• Item 5 A.

- o There were 25 Public Speakers on this item, see Attachment A.
- Joe Zilvinskis, Interfaith Shelters of San Diego, brought to the attention of the Board that no Public Services project scored higher than 10 (out of possible 15) under Criteria 1. This was addressed by Board Members Mathew Kostrinsky, Robert McNamara and Aaron Friberg ?????
- Additional discussion was held for STAR/PAL, Casa Familiar, Neil Good Day Center, Alpha Project, and San Diego Volunteer Lawyer Program Inc. Ad Hoc committees discussed their scoring process. After a series of motions (see Action Item below), scores were not changed.
- Board scored on the Criteria established and approved by Council. Any discretionary decisions made by the Board were within the established Criteria. Scoring process and Criteria are subject to re-evaluation and should be reviewed for next year's process.
- Mr. McNamara began a series of motions that were paused by the Chair for procedural purposes – to make certain there were no more applications for reconsideration. There were none and Mr. McNamara resumed the motions (see Action Item below).
- Mr. Kostrinsky asked CDBG Staff for clarification regarding the process after the Board's approval of funding. Deputy Director Beth Murray responded: the Board finalizes rankings and submits to City Council who can choose to accept the Board's rankings, or have discussion, or not accept.
- Board Member Jennifer Litwak had a question for CDBG staff regarding the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) match requirement. Ms. Nazareno responded: for those Applications eligible for ESG fund match, the Board must fund no less than the

- ESG match to meet the requirement; if the City does not meet the match, they are in danger of losing the match to the County of San Diego.
- O During discussions some Board Members expressed concern over how to verify how many City of San Diego residents versus residents from outside City boundaries benefited from some of the projects. Some Board Members expressed concern as to the appropriateness of using CDBG funds to fund projects that the City itself is obligated to fund. Some Board Members expressed concern over revising scores as a result of receiving new information during this meeting versus the original application that was submitted for evaluation. Some Board Members expressed concern over partially funding projects versus fully funding them.
- The Board took up the discussion regarding allocation of the remaining \$78,406. Ms. Amy Gonyeau of The Alpha Project was asked by the Board if partial funding of her project would be feasible. Ms. Gonyeau thanked the Board but stated the amount would be insufficient. Ms. Monahan from City Heights Community Development Corporation was asked the same question and replied that yes the project could be tailored to accommodate the partial funding amount. Ms. Martha Ranson from Catholic Charities was also asked the same question and replied the project could be tailored to accommodate the partial funding amount.
- CDBG staff reminded the Board that there is a minimum allocation of \$50,000 for Public Services projects.
- The Board took up the discussion of whether or not to re-evaluate and re-score
 Criteria 1 for the applications. This was not adopted.

• Items 5B and 5C were heard simultaneously.

- Ms. Nazareno presented the Community & Economic Development/Capital Improvement Project Scoring Results. Total funding available is \$9,046,818 and will fully fund Applications 4.10, 4.11, 4.17, 4.22, 4.27, 1.2, 4.8, 4.19, 1.6, 4.6, 1.5, 4.4, 4.7, 1.4, 7.1, 4.24, 4.9, 4.26, 2.1, 4.3, 4.16, 1.3, 4.25, 1.1, and 4.13; leaving a balance of \$795,281 that can go towards funding the next in line or the Board can choose where they'd like to distribute the remaining balance. Note: there is a \$100,000 minimum allocation.
- There were seven speakers for these items with one speaker not present when named called (see Attachment A)
- o Mr. de Castro opened up discussion with the Board for Items 5B and 5C. Mr. Moore expressed a fundamental concern about the way the scores ended up shaking out in that he felt there was enough of a significant difference in the way they were scored by two different ad hoc committees that may affect the outcome discrepancy in the scoring to merit discussion. Mr. Moore suggested remapping the scores onto the same scale; this was not adopted.
- Additional discussion was held regarding Pro Kids Golf Academy, City of San Diego/Morley Green, Horn of Africa Community, San Ysidro Health Center, Boys

- and Girls Club, Center for Employment Training, City of San Diego Park and Recreation/Palisades Park, Access Inc., GRID Alternatives, Townspeople, Casa Familiar/Los Granados, City of San Diego Environmental Services/Lead Safety, Union of Pan Asian Communities, and City of San Diego Park and Recreation/Gompers Neighborhood Park.
- Discussion regarding Morley Field. Mr. Moore expressed his concern regarding the appropriateness of using CDBG funds for ADA compliance of City property which the City is legally obligated to pay for out of the General Fund but has chosen not to. Mr. McNamara and Ms. Granowitz felt this was justifiable. Mr. Moore made a motion that was not seconded.
- Discussion on the following applications was continued to February 23, 2012: Pro Kids Golf Academy, City of San Diego Environmental Services/Lead Safety, Casa Familiar/Los Granados, GRID Alternatives, San Ysidro Health Center, and Townspeople.
- Meeting was recessed until 8:00 a.m. February 23, 2012.

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- Meeting was resumed February 23, 2012; a quorum was established.
- There were two Public Speakers for these items (see
- Discussion for Items 5B and 5C was continued.
 - Mr. de Castro briefly summarized the morning's agenda. The afternoon before, the Board agreed to pull for further review the following applications: 4.19 – Pro Kids Golf Academy, Inc.; 2.1 – City of San Diego-Environmental Services; 4.3 – Casa Familiar; 4.16 – GRID Alternatives; 4.25 – Townspeople; 4.23 – San Ysidro Health Center.
 - o Mr. de Castro began review with San Ysidro Health Center. Mr. Moore offered a rescoring of the application. Ms. Granowitz reiterated her concern where the application was not clear as to how many City residents were being served versus non-City residents. At Mr. McNamara's further request for clarification, Mr. Ed Martinez from San Ysidro Health Center assured the Board the "majority" of clients are from the City of San Diego. Mr. Martinez was also asked if he could work with partial funding, he said yes, but preferred the full amount requested.
 - Mr. de Castro read into the record for the Board's consideration public comments in support of Application 4.14 City of San Diego Redevelopment Agency/Morley Green Public Improvements Project (see Attachment A).
 - O Discussion regarding Pro Kids Golf Academy Inc. Ms. Murray pointed out to the Board that the funds requested by Pro Kids are to complete an on-going project. Mr. de Castro asked Ms. Susanna Rosenbaum, Pro Kids Golf Academy, to elaborate on the program. Ms. Rosenbaum stated that the project completes an expansion of the facility that benefits children through life skills, academics and mentoring. Ms.

- Rosenbaum addressed the question of how many City residents are served versus non-City residents at 64% City residents served in 2011.
- O Discussion regarding City of San Diego Environmental Services/Lead Safety Program. Mr. Moore again expressed his concern with funding City projects the City is obligated to fund anyways; Lead Safety Program is a code enforcement tool. Mr. McNamara asked CDBG Staff was asked if the Consolidated Plan goal has already been met; Ms. Murray answered yes this goal is at 137% met. Mr. Moore asked Mr. Alan Johanns, City of San Diego Environmental Services, answered several Board Members' questions regarding the program. Mr. Johanns responded the program has been funded with CDBG funding since its inception in 2002; without funding this year the program will not exist. The purpose of the program is to eliminate the hazard of lead exposure before exposure through identification, correction and if necessary enforcement. Discussion was tabled.
- O Discussion regarding Casa Familiar, Inc./Los Granados Senior Housing ADA & Rehab. Main concern with several Board Members was cost per client ratio. Following Mr. McNamara's motion (see Action Item below) Ms. Susana Villegas clarified to the Board that the original request was reduced to \$610,000 and discussed the benefits of the project to the seniors involved and future tenants.
- Discussion regarding GRID Alternatives. Mr. Moore expressed concern with the cost effectiveness of the program and its expressed-value. Several Board Members expressed their support for energy-efficient alternatives as well as the jobopportunities provided.
- Discussion regarding Townspeople. Mr. Moore expressed the same concerns with Townspeople that he has for GRID Alternatives. Mr. Jon Derryberry, Townspeople, addressed the Board on their concerns and the merits of the program.
- o CDBG Staff reminded the Board there was a total \$9,046,819 available for allocation; if allocation is unchained a balance of \$795,281 would remain.
- o A series of motions were maid (see Action Item below).
- Final allocation fully funded Applications 4.10, 4.11, 4.17, 4.22, 4.27, 1.2, 4.8, 4.19, 1.6, 4.6, 1.5, 4.4, 4.7, 1.4, 7.1, 4.24, 4.9, 4.26, 2.1, 4.16, 1.3, 4.25, 1.1, 4.13, and 4.23; with a balance of \$51,931.
- Mr. Friberg asked if going to City Council without going through Public Safety & Neighborhood Services Committee first was approved. Ms. Murray confirmed that CDBG Staff consulted with the Council President Office and the PS&NS Committee Chair and received approval to present directly to Council because we have gone through this process with the Advisory Board and timing-wise to make the deadline to HUD, with a March 19th or 20th date before City Council.
- Referring to Public Safety recommendations, Mr. de Castro wanted to make sure that no changes had been made to the score for Catholic Charities; that it was the Board's recommendation that they be fully funded with the remaining balance.

- Mr. Kostrinsky and Ms. Litwak offered final thoughts on this year's scoring process: recommend never break-up funding groups, revamp application and scoring criteria, meet fairly soon to discuss revisions to the scoring process for next year.
- Ms. Granowitz wanted to be known that despite issues with the process, politics was left
 out of the process. She appreciated the hard work and the amounts of hours put into the
 process.
- Mr. de Castro addressed complaints that the process was unfair in that some applicants were allowed to "advocate" for their program while others were not.

Action Item

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- Mr. McNamara motioned should the Board reconsider with an eye towards an increase of Application 3A.22 STAR/PAL-STAR/PAL Center to Serve Youth; there was no second.
- Mr. McNamara motioned should the Board discuss with an eye toward increasing the score of Application 3A.4 Casa Familiar, Inc./South San Diego Human Care Services; Mr. de Castro seconded. Motion failed 3-4.
- Mr. McNamara motioned to reconsider adjusting the score for Application 3A.18 San Diego Volunteer Lawyer Program Inc./Safe and Secure Families Project down for failure to differentiate between city and non-city clientele; Board Member Vicki Granowitz seconded. Motion failed 0-7.
- Mr. McNamara motioned to reconsider adjusting the score for Application 3B.1 The Alpha Project/Take Back the Streets upward; Ms. Granowitz seconded. Motion failed 2-5.
- Mr. McNamara motioned to reconsider adjusting the score for Application 3B.6 San Diego Housing Commission/Neil Good Day Center to discuss moving that score upward; Ms. Granowitz seconded. Motion failed 3-4.
- Mr. McNamara motioned: Be it resolved that the Consolidated Plan Advisory Board forward to the City Council the recommendations and the rankings exactly as it appears with no partial funding or amendments; Motion was seconded. Motion passed 7-0.
- Mr. Moore motioned to allocate the remaining \$78,406 to Application 3A.5 City Heights Community Development Corporation/City Heights Get to Work program; Ms. Granowitz seconded. Motion failed 3-4.
- Board Member Aaron Friberg motioned to fully fund Application 3B.2 Catholic Charities/Rachel Women's Center with the remaining balance; motion was seconded. After further discussion Mr. Friberg rescinded the motion.
- Mr. Friberg motioned Ad Hoc Committee 1's Criteria 1 standard be used in re-evaluating and re-scoring Category 1 for the applications so that there is consistency across the board using; there was no second.

- Mr. Moore motioned to fully fund Application 3B.2 Catholic Charities/Rachel Women's Center at \$75,000; Mr. McNamara seconded. Motion failed with Ms. Litwak abstaining.
- Mr. de Castro motioned that subcommittees 1 and 3 take ten minutes to review the two applications and re-score; motion was seconded. Motion failed.
- Mr. Moore motioned to fund Application 3A.5 City Heights Community Development Corporation/City Heights Get to Work; Ms. Granowitz seconded. Mr. Moore rescinded his motion.
- Mr. de Castro motioned to allocate the funds to Application 3B.2 Catholic Charities/Rachel Women's Center; Mr. McNamara seconded. Motion passed 5-2.
- Mr. Moore motioned to revise the individual criteria scoring for Pro Kids Golf Academy, Inc. as follows: Criteria 1 = 5, Criteria 2 = 15, Criteria 3 = 10, Criteria 4 = 10, Criteria 5 = 15, Criteria 6 = 8, for a revised score of 58; Ms. Granowitz seconded.
- Mr. Moore motioned to pull Application 4.9 City of San Diego Park and Recreation/Gompers Neighborhood Park ADA Upgrades for further discussion; there was no second.
- Mr. Moore motioned to pull Application 4.26 Union of Pan Asian Communities/UPAC Seismic Retrofit. After further thought, Mr. Moore withdrew his motion.
- Mr. Moore motioned to pull Application 2.1 City of San Diego Environmental Services/Lead Safety Enforcement Program for further discussion; Mr. McNamara seconded. Motion passed 5–0.
- Mr. de Castro motioned to pull Application 4.3 Casa Familiar, Inc./Los Granados Senior Housing ADA & Rehab for further discussion; Mr. Moore seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
- Mr. Moore motioned to pull Application 4.16 GRID Alternatives/San Diego Solar Affordable Homes Program and Application 4.25 Townspeople/Low-Income Housing Solar Power for further discussion; Mr. de Castro seconded. Motion passed 3-2.
- Mr. Moore motioned to pull Application 1.1 Access, Inc./Microenterprise Development for further discussion; there was no second.
- Mr. Moore motioned to pull Application 4.23 San Ysidro Health Center for further discussion; Mr. McNamara seconded. Motion passed 5-0
- Mr. Moore motioned to pull Application 4.1 Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater San Diego/Roberts Branch Remodel for further discussion; no second.
- Mr. Moore motioned to pull Application 4.14 City of San Diego Redevelopment Agency/Morley Green Public Improvements Project for further discussion; no second.
- Mr. Moore motioned to pull Application 4.5 Center for Employment Training/CET San Diego Facility Improvement Project for further discussion; there was no second.

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• Mr. Moore motioned to increase scoring for Application 4.23 San Ysidro Health Center/SDCDC Expansion Project as follows: Criteria 1 increase from to 10, Criteria 2

- increase from 10 to 17; Mr. Friberg seconded. Mr. Moore amended his motion to increase Criteria 6 from 5 to 8; Mr. Friberg seconded. Motion was withdrawn.
- Mr. McNamara motioned to leave the scoring as is for Application 4.19 Pro Kids Golf Academy, Inc./Netting Enclosure of Driving Range; Mr. Moore seconded. Motion passed 7-0.
- Mr. McNamara motioned to leave unchanged the current scores for Application 4.16 GRID Alternatives/San Diego Solar Affordable Homes Program; motion seconded. Motion passed 6-1.
- Mr. McNamara motioned to leave unchanged the current scores for Application 4.25 Townspeople/Low-Income Housing Solar Power; Ms. Litwak seconded. Motion failed 3-4. Ms. Litwak motioned to lower Criteria 1 to 9 for a revised overall score of 80; Mr. Friberg seconded. Motion passed 4-2-1. Mr. Kostrinsky motioned to keep Ms. Litwak's motion to lower Criteria 1 to 9, and then lower Criteria 3 to 14 for a revised overall score of 77; Mr. de Castro seconded. Motion passed 5-2.
- Mr. McNamara **motioned** to make the following scoring changes to Application 2.1 City of San Diego Environmental Services/Lead Safety Enforcement Program: reduce Criteria 1 from 10 to 7 because the project does not meet an unmet goal in the Consolidated Plan, reduce Criteria 4 from 19 to 13 because the project partially supplants other code enforcement activities of the City that should be addressed during the upcoming City budget process, reduce Criteria 6 from 6 to 5 because 100% funding is being requested for this project, for an revised overall score from 83 to 73; Ms. Granowitz seconded. Motion failed 3-4. Mr. Friberg motioned to lower Criteria 2 from 17 to 15 for a revised overall score of 81; Ms. Litwak seconded. Motion failed 3-4. Mr. de Castro motioned to reduce Criteria 1 from 10 to 8, reduce Criteria 2 from 17 to 15, reduce Criteria 6 from 6 to 5 for a revised overall score of 78; Ms. Litwak seconded. After further discussion Mr. de Castro amended his motion to reduce Criteria 1 from 10 to 7, reduce Criteria 2 from 17 to 15, reduce Criteria 6 from 6 to 5 for a revised overall score of 77. Ms. Litwak seconded amendment. Motion passed 5-2. Mr. Moore motioned to reduce Criteria from 5 to 0, for a revised overall score of 72; there was no second. Mr. Moore **motioned** to reduce Criteria 1 from 7 to 3; Ms. Granowitz seconded. Motion failed 2-5. Mr. Friberg **motioned** to keep the overall score of 77; Ms. Litwak seconded. Motion passed 4-3.
- Mr. McNamara motioned to make the following scoring changes to Application 4.3 Casa Familiar, Inc./Los Granados Senior Housing ADA & Rehab: reduce Criteria 3 from 16 to 10 primarily because the project benefits only six individuals at a cost of approximately \$110,000 per person, this does not provide a high benefit to the San Diego community in relation to the amount of funds with the type of service requested; reduce Criteria 4 from 18 to 14 for the following reasons: the relocation plans are not adequately documented, the question of hazard abatement for an 84-year old facility is not addressed; and the construction plans have not been completed; reduce Criteria 6 from 7 to 5 because about

- 98% of funding is requested from CDBG, for a revised overall score of 71. Mr. Moore seconded. Motion passed 6-1.
- Mr. Moore motioned to revise the score for Application 4.23 San Ysidro Health Center by increasing Criteria 1 from 5 to 7, increase Criteria 2 from 10 to 15, Mr. McNamara seconded. After a request from Mr. de Castro, Mr. Moore amended his motion to include increasing Criteria 6 from 5 to 7 for a revised overall score of 83; Mr. McNamara seconded amendment. Motion passed 7-0.
- Mr. McNamara motioned to approve and forward the recommendations directly to City Council with revisions incorporated in previous motions today; Mr. Moore seconded. Motion passed 7-0.
- Ms. Granowitz motioned to adjourned; Mr. Moore seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned.